MEMORANDUM OF RECORD

SUBJECT: Staff Meeting Minutes for May 23, 2000

PROJECT MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE COLLEGE OF PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE (PMI-CPM). DCMA attended the Project Management Institute College of Performance Management's 16th annual International Earned Value Management Conference in Clearwater, Fla. May 14-17, 2000. Attendees at the conference included representatives from private Industry, Government Agencies, and Military Services. Purpose of the Conference is to both inform and train the Earned Value Management community on new initiatives, emerging ideas, new policies and changes. Workshops and seminars, with technical presentations, were directed to instruction on earned value concepts, methods and tools. Symposiums on the other hand were focused on sharing experiences at different levels.

QUALITY DAY CONFERENCE. DCMA participated in the Defense Logistics Agency Quality day conference May 23-24, 2000. Topics discussed were Critical Parts review, DoD Product Quality Deficiency Report (PQDR) Program, improvements in processing PQDRs, Customer (Navy, Army, Air Force, Marine Corp, and NASA) perspective on how well DLA and DCMA are doing with PQDRs. As an outcome DCMA has committed to have conduct training for personnel involved in the PQDR process to improve quality and timeliness of our responses. At the next Quality day DCMA will be presenting an in-depth briefing on Supplier Quality Assurance that tell our customers how we accomplish Supplier Risk Management.

DCMA'S SUPPLIER INFORMATION SERVICE @ DSCP. In support of Defense Support Center, Philadelphia's Acquisition & Logistics Reform Week, May 22-26, 2000, DCMA-OCS presented a Supplier Information Service overview. The overview described DCMA's Service, identified the types of supplier information residing in the database, explaining where and how to access the Service. DCMA is able to present meaningful and useful information to the DoD Buying Community to make well-informed acquisition decisions via the Internet. Customers will be provided access to the Service fall 2000.

DCMA BRIEFING TO DARPA. A contract specialist from the Contracts Financing and Payments/Contract Business Operations team participated in the Acquisition and Logistics Reform Week program at the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA). At the request of DARPA, a briefing on DCMA's role in contract management and on DCMA administration of Other Transaction Agreements was presented to representatives of the contracting, comptroller, and legal staffs at DARPA. The briefing included an overview of DCMA's new agency status, DCMA service sets, and DCMA activities in support of DARPA-issued Other Transaction Agreements.

SOFTWARE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED PROGRAM TEAM (IPT). DCMA participated in the Software Assessment IPT on May 16, 2000 held in Crystal City, Virginia. The IPT continues in its responsibility for providing recommendations to the Deputy Undersecretary of Defense for Science and Technology (DUSD (S&T) for implementing the policy relative to Software Evaluations for ACAT 1 Programs that was issued on October 26, 1999. It was agreed that a core set of questions derived from the Air Force developed Software Development Capability Evaluation could serve as an alternate solution. The project is now ready to move to Phase II, which is identifying how the methods will be applied. The next meeting will be held on June 12, 2000.

FY01 DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BILL, SEC 805, REPEAL OF REQUIREMENT FOR CONTRACTOR ASSURANCE REGARDING TECHNICAL DATA. On May 25, 2000, DCMA-OCT provided input to DLA-GC's review of pending subject legislation. Section 805 is the result of an SPI proposal, submitted by Motorola. DCMA forwarded the legislative proposal to Dr. Gansler on November 30, 1999. The Bill was reported to the Senate (S.2549) on May 12, 2000. Section 805 removes the requirement for contractors to furnish written assurances that submitted technical data is complete, accurate, and satisfies their requirements of the contract. The DoD position is that "Eliminating this requirement will not in any way diminish the contractor's clear obligation to provide technical data that meets contract requirements and enforcement of contractual obligation by standard legal process."

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